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## Theater Group Acquires New Headquarters

As a result of arrangements recently concluded between the Cranbrook Foundation and St. Dunstan's Guild, the amateur theater group will use the Cranbrook Pavilion in Lone Pine road as a theater and center for its activities. The stone building has been used for lectures, art exhibitions, and group gatherings through many years and also serves as the entrance to the Cranbrook Greek Theater.

The first play of the season, Noel Coward's 3-act "Blithe Spirit," will be staged in the new theater on Oct. 4 and 5, with a cast which includes Helen Eden, Dorothy Spessy, Fritz Hyde, Virginia Shannon, George Miller, Francis Lee, and Mary Proctor.

Scheduled for mid-November is G. B. Shaw's "Arms and the Man," and "Our Town," by Thornton Wilder has been selected as the traditional June offering in the Greek Theater.

Additional productions will include another three-act play, not yet announced, an evening of one-act plays, and an unrelaxed series of impromptu situations for new members. Informal social gatherings are also scheduled.

### New Policy Announced

The new theater will permit, for the first time in St. Dunstan's history, a policy of public sale of tickets for productions after members' requests have been filled.

It is expected that the organization, one of the oldest in the area, will assume new stature now that a permanent home and theater have been found. Many of the members have returned from duties elsewhere during the war years, and new members have been found among the new additions to the community.

Mrs. M. W. Cochran is chairman of the Guild board, and Harry Hoey is vice-chairman. Also on the board are Mrs. Licklider, secretary, S. Gordon Saunders, treasurer, and James B. Shannon and Jack Blanchard.

### Have You Met . . .

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Reilly of 15920 Lauderdale drive? The Reillys moved here from Youngstown, Ohio, with their five children, aged 14, 11, 8, and twins, 5. Mr. Reilly is an executive with the steel making division of the Ford Motor Company.

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## Virginia Wright Wed In California

Sacramento, Calif., was the locale of the wedding ceremony Saturday evening which united in marriage Virginia Catherine



Mrs. Everett L. Verspoor

Wright and Everett Verspoor. Virginia is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Evan Hadley Wright of Avilla avenue, Lathrup township, while Everett's parents are the Leonard Verspoors of Saville, L.

For the 6:30 p. m. rites in the post chapel, the bride chose an aqua wool suit, complemented by white accessories. She wore an orchid corsage.

The bride couple was attended by Mr. and Mrs. Foot of Sacramento, and following the ceremony a dinner party was held for the bride party and guests at the Senator Hotel there.

On their return from a month's honeymoon at Yellowstone National Park, the new couple will be at home in Sacramento, where the groom is a member of the National Guard. The new Mrs. Verspoor was formerly of the WAC.

## Retiring President Honored At Party

The last dinner dance of the summer season was held at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club Saturday night. Honored guest was R. C. Williams, retiring president, whose duties will be taken over by C. E. Holmworth.

For the occasion, the decorations created the atmosphere of an old-fashioned garden and there were 200 guests present.

Leo Colman of Detroit was in charge of the affair, assisted by H. Thompson.

SOCIETY NEWS must be in the Eccentric editorial office by five o'clock every Tuesday afternoon. Deadline for CLUB NEWS remains at noon Mondays. adv. H

## Social Briefs

**VIVA STEGER**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Steger, former Birminghamites, entertained six of her friends at dinner held in her Detroit home last Sunday. Viva left Tuesday for Lexington, Ky., where she will enter Transylvania College there as a freshman.

**MRS. ROY E. BROWN**, of Greenwood avenue, left this morning by plane for Memphis, Tenn., where she will be the guest of her son Elwyn and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Lemmings, for an extended visit.

**MRS. GEORGE T. TRUMBULL**, of Dunstan road, entertained 14 guests at a 12:30 luncheon Tuesday at the Bloomfield Hills Country Club.

**MRS. WILLIAM P. KNOWLES** and her daughter, Patricia, will leave next week end for Wynnewood, Philadelphia, Pa., where they will make their home. Mr. Knowles has been in the East since the first of August. Tuesday Mrs. Knowles' mother, Mrs. G. H. Stomps, left for Daytona Beach, Fla., where she will spend the winter.

**MRS. HENRY EDWARDS**, of Encel avenue, has returned home after a two-month vacation in Camden, Maine. Enroute home, she stopped off for a fortnight at York Beach, also in Maine.

**BARBARA KINNEY**, daughter of the Elliott S. Kinneys of Chesterfield road, entertained recently for Troy, N. Y., where she will begin her freshman year at the Emma Willard school there.

**MRS. EDWIN WEAVER** of Bird street, is Grand representative from the Pythian Sisters, No. 24, Birmingham, at the annual Grand Temple session at Grand Rapids Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week.

Mrs. Hazel Lawler, Past Grand Chief, Mrs. Stella Edgar, Most Excellent Chief, Mrs. Francis Hart, Mrs. Howard Wright, Mrs. Ross Adams, Mrs. Daniel Synnors, and Mrs. Elizabeth Wendorph are also attending.

**MR. and MRS. CARROLL M. BOULET** of Glenary Circle left last Wednesday to spend a few days in New York City before their daughter, Ann Kanper, who accompanied them, enters Westwood School in Middlebury, Conn., for her first year.

**MRS. CLARENCE W. WACKER** of Safford road, a member of the Petty Hill Chapter of the D.A.R. and a director of the state board of the D.A.R., left Monday morning for a 10-day tour of the state with members of the state board. They will visit Mt. Clemens, Midland, Saginaw, St. Marie, Marquette, Escanaba, Petoskey, Ionia, Kalamazoo, and Ipsilanti.

**BOB SCOTT**, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin B. Scott of Franklin, will return this week from Houghton, Mich., for a short vacation

between semesters. He is a second year student at Michigan College of Mining and Technology at Houghton.

**RHODA DENSMORE** and her sister, Mrs. Beza O'Reilly, have returned to their home on Bridge-lyde road after spending the summer at Oscoda, Mich.

**MRS. HARRY D. WISE** of Williamburg road, entertained at a small luncheon Monday at the Detroit Athletic Club for Mrs. Edward Moylan of Denver, Colo., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles O'Connor, of Avon, Ind.

**CAROL MAYNARD** of Mahogany drive has had as her house guest this week her roommate, Mary Ellen Walske of Ripon, Wis. Carol will return to Ripon College Tuesday for her junior year.

**MR. and MRS. W. LAURANCE SHAFNER** of Wimbeldon road have had as their house guests for ten days Mr. and Mrs. John Shaffner of Dallas, Texas. Weekend guests of the Shaffners were the William Shaffners, Jr., and son Larry, of Saginaw.

## Pierce School Staff, Honors New Teachers

The staff of Pierce school honored new classroom teachers, special teachers and members of the educational staff at a noon luncheon held Thursday, Sept. 5, in the school.

The luncheon provided an opportunity for the new personnel to become better acquainted with former teachers and with each other.

Guests were Phyllis Garrow, who teaches music; Gloria Carlson, art; Howard Sumner, boys' gym; Alice Ward, speech correction; Annabelle Cripps, second grade; Marylin Phelan, first grade; Cymbe Pratt, third grade; and Laurie Tumber, fifth and sixth grades.

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